

Alexandria Gazette.

FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 25.

LOCAL NEWS.

HOLIDAY ADVERTISING.—The rapid approach of the Christmas festivities has reminded Alexandria's merchants that they must give notice to the masses of the people that they are prepared for the usual rush. The evidence of this will be found in the columns of the GAZETTE, the old-established paper of this section. It is read by thousands every day, both within and without the city, its circulation extending generally throughout this part of the State. A word to the wise is sufficient.

For this section light rains, except in southeast Virginia fair weather, light variable winds, generally from east to south, slight changes in temperature.

ONLY ONE LEFT.—The announcement of the death of Mr. George Faunce, which occurred at the Alexandria home on Wednesday night, recalls a reminiscence which takes us back to the days when our port contributed the major portion to Alexandria's commercial prosperity. The deceased for about eighteen years of his life was a seafaring man, and made sundry voyages to and from this port, having sailed under Captains Hussey, Smith, Masters, Dearborn and other old Alexandria skippers who long since paid the debt of nature. Mr. Faunce was one of the crew of the schooner Talma, Captain Sayce, of New London, Conn., which arrived at this port on the 6th of June, 1840, with seventeen German refugees from the island of Jamaica on board, the vessel having stopped at Cuba on the way up and taken on a cargo of sugar and molasses consigned to Alexandria. The captain died on the voyage and was buried at sea. Some years previous the English had undertaken to colonize Jamaica with German settlers, the object being to encourage the cultivation of ginger. The English furnished houses and rations gratis to the immigrants for one year, but yellow fever breaking out among them thinned their ranks to such an extent that an exodus followed, and all who could abandoned the island. Assisted, seventeen selected Alexandria as their future home, and among the number was Mr. Christopher Fisher, who subsequently opened a public house on south Union street, whose celebrated ale will be remembered by more than one who reads this item. Mrs. Swansbury (a well-known resident of this city) was also an immigrant on the Talma, and, now that Mr. Faunce has entered the spirit world, is doubtless the only person living who was aboard the vessel on the voyage alluded to—the captain, officers, crew and passengers all, save her, having succumbed to the king of terrors.

FIRE COMPANY'S MEETING.—A large meeting of the Friendship Fire Company was held last night to receive the report of the committee which had been sent to Washington in reference to the use of the old engine by a minstrel company now playing there, and to ascertain what compensation would be allowed the company for the use of the engine. Soon after the meeting was called to order a squabble arose as to who were members and who were entitled to vote, and when the matter was settled only about a dozen of the large crowd present could prove their membership, the records having been unexpectedly drawn forth. When it was ascertained who were members, the committee—Messrs. Chichester, Murtough and Hammerdinger—made their report (published in the GAZETTE on Wednesday) which was in substance that the minstrel company had given them a check for \$35 and had agreed to return the engine in the same order it was when they got it. After some debate the report was adopted though some were in favor of returning the check and others thought that more money could have been obtained from the minstrels. After the report had been adopted a discussion arose over the statement that one of the committee, Mr. Hammerdinger, had received from the minstrels \$25 for his expenses in going from this city to Washington to see about the engine. Some contended that the fire company should pay the expenses and others charged that a demand had been made on the minstrels for the money, but it was finally decided that as Mr. Hammerdinger had lost a day and had been paid for the same by the minstrels, the best thing to do was to let the matter drop, which was done.

THE LATE COL. BALL.—The *Alaskan*, a late Sitka newspaper received here, is full of compliments and warm expressions of regret for the sudden death of Col. M. D. Ball. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the most prominent gentlemen of that Territory:

Whereas, Almighty God has taken away from us forever our beloved friend and associate, Hon. M. D. Ball, late United States District Attorney for the Territory of Alaska; and whereas, His untimely death, before the shadows of life's afternoon had entered around his pathway, has made a vacancy in the little handful of civil officials, and attorneys, who are endeavoring to uphold and enforce the laws in this isolated portion of our national domain; it is therefore

Resolved, That in his death the Civil Government has lost a faithful, able and conscientious official; the Alaska bar a vigilant, industrious, and eloquent advocate; the Territory an upright, courteous, high minded citizen.

That Col. Ball's manly and genial social qualities endeared him to our hearts; and that we feel a sense of deep personal loss at his being called away to return no more forever.

That to his wife and children at this time of most bitter bereavement, we extend our tenderest sympathy, and commend them to the widow's God and the Father of the fatherless for that solace which passeth all understanding.

Resolved, That an engrossed copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased.

POLICE REPORT.—Last night was cloudy and cool with seven lodgers and eight prisoners at the station house.

The Mayor this morning disposed of the following cases:

Wm. Madella, colored, arrested by officer Brenner for an assault and battery on John Doran, was fined \$10.

Cary Jones, John Brooks, Joe Jones, Chas. Preston and Elijah Moses, colored, arrested by officers Jones, Bontz and Ticer, for obstructing the passage way at the local depot, were discharged.

Two young men, arrested by officer Sherwood for disorderly conduct, were fined \$1 each.

Mary Dixon, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, was discharged.

Two colored persons, arrested for having dogs on their premises within the city, were fined \$1 each.

James Robinson, colored, charged with threatening to kill his wife, Sarah Robinson, had his case continued.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—The next of the series of "parlor talks" to be given by the Y. M. C. A. will be held on Tuesday evening, December 6, when Dr. James Cary Thomas will lecture on "Physical Revivification."

At a meeting of the board of directors of the association recently the committee on gymnasium was given the privilege of using the upper floor (now consisting of three communicating rooms) of the association building for inaugurating this branch of work, together with the services of the janitor, and the light and heat required. Some fifteen

frames for \$2 and a half-dozen more for \$5 were hauled in, and with other help the committee purchased a number of chest-weights, push and pull machines and other gymnasium apparatus. The committee will shortly circulate a paper for subscriptions to this branch, and all who wish to add to the already good advantages offered the young men and help themselves at the same time can do so. The annual subscription is \$2, which includes most of the other advantages offered by the association. The ladies' auxiliary has promised substantial help in this branch, and it is safe to say that soon a first class gymnasium will be established.

COLLISIONS.—During the heavy fog that prevailed this morning the ferry steamer City of Alexandria on her 6:30 trip from Washington and the tug Comet, on her way to that city, collided near Giesboro and the latter sustained slight damage, having her pilot house knocked out of position and some of her joiner's work injured. No one was hurt. The ferry steamer came on to this city and the Comet proceeded to Washington. The steamer George Leary arrived here from Norfolk to-day several hours late. She reports that during the fog last night when near Point Lookout, she was run into by the steamer Jane Mosely from this city for Norfolk and that both steamers sustained damage. The Leary had her side stove in and the Mosely her bow smashed, besides which, both boats had some of their joiner's work carried away. No one was hurt on either steamer.

REV. GEO. C. NEEDHAM, the well-known evangelist, assisted by Mr. W. C. Stevenson, the favorite gospel singer, will begin on Sunday next a series of meetings in the Baptist Church, on Washington street. Services that day at 11 a. m., 3:30 and 7:30 p. m., and every evening during the week at 7:30. Mr. Needham will also give daily Bible readings at 3:30 p. m. in the Second Presbyterian Church. The public are cordially invited to all these services. Mr. Mercer, the pastor of the Baptist Church, has already begun special services preparatory to Mr. Needham's coming. Last evening there were several requests for prayer and one profession of faith. Services again to-night at 7:30.

THE OPERA HOUSE.—The event of the season will take place at the Opera House to-night, when Mr. Jules Levy will make his first appearance in this city. The programme will embrace vocal as well as instrumental music, the main feature being, of course, the great cornetist, Mr. Levy will be well supported throughout the entire programme. A special feature of the evening will be the second act of "Martha" by the entire company in full dress costumes. A large number of seats have been already taken and there is no doubt that the company will be greeted with a large and fashionable audience.

PERSONAL.—Mr. John Critcher, who has been quite ill for sometime past at his residence on Cameron street, is much better and will soon be about again.

Mr. Louis C. Barley has returned from Texas where he went to consummate the sale of lands in that State in which he has an interest.

Efforts are being made by the friends of Mr. G. W. Ramsay to induce him to become a candidate for the City Council from the Third ward.

Mr. Dan Germann is seriously ill at his home on King street.

RAID UPON AN ILLICIT DISTILLERY.—Deputy Collector S. M. Newhouse, with U. S. Gussers C. H. Dear and S. R. Armstrong a few days since made a raid upon an illicit grain distillery, located about three miles from Linden station in the Blue Ridge mountains, on the premises of Charles Niles. The whole concern was destroyed. It was being operated on a pretty large scale to be crooked. Eleven head of hogs penned at the distillery had been turned out and driven away before the officers reached the distillery.

WANTS INFORMATION.—New Orleans is asking for information about "Major" Burgess, recently located in that city. The members of the Board of Trustees of the late Georgia Military Academy can enlighten the people of that unfortunate city a good deal about the "Major."—*Savannah News.*

The citizens of Oxford, Md., could probably furnish some "tips" concerning the Major and a number of merchants of this city could also give his "record."

THE MISSION AT GRACE CHURCH continues. The interest is deepening and the attendance improving. These meetings last thirty minutes at 6:30 a. m.; about an hour at 4 p. m.; and about ninety minutes at 7:30 p. m. The meetings, which are held daily, will be kept up next week. The rector will continue to be assisted in the services.

A BOLD THIEF.—Yesterday morning a bold thief went into the pasture of Mr. Jos. Chauncey, in Fairfax county, just west of this city, and caught a lamb which he killed and dressed within sight of Mr. C.'s house. The thief left the skin and entrails in the field and carried off the carcass.

MT. VERNON AVENUE.—Mayor Smoot has called the committee of twenty-one of the Mt. Vernon Avenue Association to meet at Willard's Hotel, in Washington, on Wednesday evening next at 8 o'clock, when the committee on location will make their report.

Functional derangement of the female system is quickly cured by the use of Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription." It removes pain and restores health and strength. By all druggists.

REWARD—LOST—A GOLD RING, with 22 carbuncle setting. The above reward will be paid for its return to HERBERT BRYANT, No. 117 King street.

WORSTEDS! WORSTEDS!

SILKS! SILKS!

We have on hand a good assortment of the above goods for fancy work, viz:—
IMPORTED GERMANTOWN WOOLS.
DOMESTIC
Zephyr Worsted in various shades, Saxony and Shetland Yarns, Embroidery and Knitting silks, Filling and Furze Silks, Patent Silk Arsenes, &c. Foster's Preparation for Cleaning Kid Gloves, making them look fresh and new.

Also our usual variety of
MILLINERY GOODS,
all of which will be sold as low as they can be had north of the Potomac.

W. L. PADGETT,
nov25 1m 620 King street, Alexandria.

Santa Claus and his Friends.
ELEGANT HOLIDAY ATTRACTIONS.
Preliminary Announcement.

We are now receiving, and will continue for the next ten days to receive, the latest novelties for the coming holidays, special arrangements having been made to this end.
Our assortment will be the most varied, best selected and cheapest in the State, and we guarantee prices as low as the lowest in any other city.

Special attention has been given to BOOKS for SUNDAY SCHOOL PRIZES. They are the best and cheapest ever offered. Of the finer Books for presents the assortment will embrace the finest made. Further announcements from day to day.

CHOICE MALAGA GRAPES for sale by
nov21 J. C. MILBURN.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Christmas is but a month off.

There was a heavy fog this morning which interfered with navigation.

It is hard to realize that within a month the days will again begin to lengthen.

The exploits of "Major" Burgess, published in yesterday's GAZETTE, has been one of the principal topics of conversation on the streets to-day.

Messrs. Jamieson & Cochran have in store some fine family rice Potomac herring, put up in kits, half and whole barrels, which they are selling at reasonable rates.

It is thought that the cheap rates at Mr. Rogers' steam laundry will induce many householders in this city to dispense with one servant and have their laundrying done there.

It is understood that the gentlemen interested in the formation of the proposed literary society are to meet this evening at the residence of Mrs. Mary C. Broadus to organize.

The work of remodeling Armory Hall is progressing rapidly and the mechanics at work thereon are daily watched by a large crowd of idlers who are ever ready to make suggestions.

During a difficulty last night in a store on upper Wolfe street, Wm. Madella, colored, assaulted John Doran, white, and struck him on the head with a jug, inflicting a painful wound. Madella was arrested and fined \$10.

While playing with a companion a few days ago, Sam, the little son of Mrs. Sterling, who lives on King street, between Fairfax and Lee, was stuck in one of his eyes with a sharp stick and will probably lose his sight entirely.

The New York *Sun* says that at the firemen's parade at Long Island City yesterday "the New York Volunteers formed a brilliant patch of red, drawing their double decked engine (the old 800 engine) which has taken so many prizes for its artistic appearance."

On Wednesday evening last a couple claiming to live in the county, but who are believed to be residents of Washington, came to this city, procured a marriage license from the clerk of the county court and were married in the parlor of the Opera House restaurant.

Mr. W. S. Moore, of this city, has been given a contract by a Baltimore firm for furnishing ten thousand iron washers, weighing 25,000 pounds.

Mr. O. F. Baggett will have for sale in market to-morrow some nice, young pork and country sausage, beside his usual supply of fresh meats.

MEDICINAL.

ELY'S CATARRH

Cream Balm
Cleanses the Nasal Passages,
Alleviates Pain and Inflammation, Heals the Sores, Restores the Sense of Taste and Smell. Try
THE CURE

A particle is applied into each nostril and is agreeable. Price 50 cts. at druggists; by mail, registered, 60 cts. Circulars free.

ELY BROS., 235 Greenwich Street, New York.

HOLIDAY GOODS.
HOLIDAY GOODS.

Our stock is larger this season than ever before. We have all the latest novelties in
WATCHES, JEWELRY,
SILVERWARE, CLOCKS, etc.

RICH DIAMOND JEWELRY,
GENUINE IMPORTED INDIAN POTTERY,
Artistic Bronze and Brass Ware, Gold Pens and Pencils and everything suitable for the holiday trade. We take pleasure in showing goods, whether you purchase or not. All goods marked in plain figures.

R. C. ACTON,
nov23 606 King st., Alexandria, Va.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

We have just received through the importers the fullest and most varied assortment of Holiday Goods ever offered in this city, including Haviland's celebrated make of FRENCH CHINA in Fish, Game, Oatmeal, Pudding, Chocolate and Ice Cream Sets, Dinner and Tea Sets, After-dinner Coffees, Single Tea and Moustache Cups. Also a most complete line of CABINET PIECES, including Abbotford, Doulton, Bonn, and Royal Worcester, in the very latest styles and decorations. A beautiful line of large and small Vases. We are unable to mention but few of the many beautiful goods we have received in the last few days, so we cordially invite all to call and look at these goods before making their Xmas purchases.

E. J. MILLER, SON & CO.,
nov22 327 King street, Alexandria, Va.

Holiday Times.

HENRY BRENGLE, 531 KING ST.,
Is now ready for the fall and winter with
THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S SEASONS.

He intends to keep OYSTERS for his patrons and supply families with the pick of Chesapeake b-y.

Creams of all flavors, Black Fruit, Pound, Jelly and Fancy, Ornamental and Plain Cakes, are sold cheaper than they can be manufactured at home. Also Cream Puffs, Tarts and Pastry, Candies and Taffy of all kinds. **PIES A SPECIALTY.** Fruits, Nuts, Confectioneries, Caramels and Sugared Fruits. He caters for families, fairs, balls and entertainments and furnishes social parties.

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COUPONS.

VIRGINIA TAX-RECEIVABLE COUPONS, which can be used to discharge
TAXES ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.

SCHOOL AND CAPITATION TAXES due the State;

STATE LICENSES, FINES, &c. for sale at a **HEAVY DISCOUNT.**

Satisfactory written guarantees are given to purchasers, which will save them harmless on account of a tender of the coupons.

R. T. LUCAS,
nov7-tf Agent.

FAMILY ROE HERRING,
In kits, half barrels and barrels.

A CHOICE ARTICLE.
For sale by

nov23 1w **JAMIESON & COCHRAN.**

ROCHESTER LAMPS! ROCHESTER LAMPS!
There is nothing more suitable for a Xmas Gift than one of these splendid lamps in nickel, brass or decorated glass. At

nov23 **E. J. MILLER, SON & CO'S,**

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN SCYTHES, Hay Bakes, Scythe Stones, &c., at wholesale and retail by

nov23 **J. T. CREIGHTON & SON,**

NEW CALIFORNIA DOUBLE CROWN RAISINS (fancy clusters); also Valencia Official Cooking do. just received at

nov21 **McBURNIE'S,**

NEW RAISINS AND CURRANTS just received

nov21 **By J. C. MILBURN.**

AMUSEMENTS.

OPERA HOUSE, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25.
Positively only visit this season of the **WORLD'S GREATEST MINSTREL ORGANIZATION.**

THATCHER, PRIMROSE & WEST.
45 GREAT ARTISTS.

Under the management of Henry J. Savers. The artists attired in the "PURPLE and FINE LINES" of royalty, and grouped in the midst of an amazing and unparalleled presentation of spectacular grandeur.

COME AND SEE the Evolution in Minstrelsy, the Instrumentalists and Vocalists appearing sans cork. Genuine Old fashioned Minstrelsy after first part. New Songs, New Faces, New Specialties, and the Finest Afterpiece ever produced on the Minstrel Stage—**THE BLACK ERMINE.**

Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c.
Sale of seats now open at usual place. nov23

OPERA HOUSE
ONE NIGHT ONLY, FRIDAY, NOV. 25.
The Society Event.

The Levy Operatic Concert Co.,
Consisting of the following principals:

LEVY.
The World's Greatest Cornetist.

Supported by Miss Stella Levy, Soprano; Miss Lulu Ellen, Contralto; Sig. Enrico Battistini, Tenor; Mr. Lithgow James, Baritone; Herr Max Hirschfeld, Solo Pianist and Director.

General admission 50c; orchestra, reserved, 75c; dress circle, reserved (chairs), 50c; gallery 25c. Seats can now be had at Summers & Allen's.

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AUCTION SALES.

THE UNDERSIGNED will sell by public auction at 12 o'clock m., on SATURDAY, November 26, at No. 113 north Washington st., the personal effects of Dr. Albert Fairfax, deceased, consisting of BUGGY, SET OF HARNESS, MEDICAL BOOKS, SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, OFFICE and BED-ROOM FIXTURES.

nov22 td **J. T. BURKE, Executor.**

TRUSTEE'S SALE.—THE FARM KNOWN AS "BONNIE DOON," lying 1 1/4 miles northeast of Culpeper C. H., Va., will be sold at public auction on SATURDAY, December 30, at 12 m. This farm contains 178 1/2 acres. Location, great beauty, natural fertility and abundance of fruit and water, renders this one of the most desirable farms in Piedmont Va. For particulars apply to **JOEL LINDSEY, 1421 1/2 street n.w., Washington, D. C.,** or to **S. S. BRADFORD, Culpeper C. H., Va.**

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By R. T. Lucas, Auctioneer.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria, rendered on the 20th day of October, 1887, in the chancery cause of John Fletcher vs. J. E. Piper, the undersigned, commissioners therein named, will on SATURDAY, the 10th day of December, 1887, at 12 o'clock m., at the Royal street entrance to the Market building, expose for sale at public auction, the following property, to-wit:

The ONE-HALF UNDIVIDED INTEREST of James E. Piper in a LOT OF GROUND and FRAME TENEMENT situated thereon, on the east side of Pitt street and south side of Oronoco street at their intersection, binding on Oronoco street 63 1/2 feet and extending south with that width half the square.

Terms of sale: One fourth cash; the residue in three equal installments at six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale; the deferred payments to be secured by the purchaser's bonds, with good personal security, and bearing interest from date of sale. Title to be retained until the full purchase money has been paid.

ALBERT STUART,
JOHN M. JOHNSON,
SAM'L G. BEENT.

I certify that the bond required in the above cause has been given.

nov9 ts **JOHN S. BEACH, Clerk.**

FANCY GROCERIES.

Fancy Malaga Grapes

AND

Florida Oranges

JUST RECEIVED BY

G. WM. RAMSAY.

400 pounds

FANCY SMYRNA FIGS

Just received by

G. WM. RAMSAY.

ATMORE'S MINCE MEAT

AND

English Plum Pudding

FOR SALE BY

G. WM. RAMSAY.

CALIFORNIA APRICOTS,

Shaker Corn,

Prime Dried Apples,

New Beans,

JUST RECEIVED.

G. WM. RAMSAY.

New Crop Raisins

Currants, Citron and

Nuts of all kinds.

G. WM. RAMSAY.

100 CASES

Stabler's Corn,

50 CASES

Honey Drop Corn

125 CASES

Canned Tomatoes

G. WM. RAMSAY.

SOMETHING NEW FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT.
S. Rose Jais and Potpourri. Japanese goods of all kinds. Scrolls, Screens, Mats, Bowls, Teapots, &c., &c., at

nov22 **E. J. MILLER SON & CO'S,**
nov21 **By J. C. MILBURN.**

DRY GOODS.

J. E. TACKETT. E. C. MARSHALL.

SPECIAL SALE OF SMYRNA RUGS.

We open to day an immense line of SMYRNA RUGS at prices that will cause astonishment. We can convey some idea of the GREAT BARGAIN when we state that the Rugs are from \$1 to \$3 50, under regular price; but the best way is to come and see them and judge for yourselves. Look at the prices quoted:

Good-sized Rugs at \$1.50.
Next Size, Larger, \$2.50; regular price \$3 50,
" **\$3.50;** " 4 50.
Largest
Sofa \$4.50; " 6 50.
\$6.50; " 10 00.

Compare these goods and prices with the goods and prices elsewhere.

We are daily receiving attractive goods in our other departments.

Don't overlook the splendid line of

HALL AND STAIR CARPETS

In Tapestry and Body Brussels.

THE ENGLISH CORTICINE

Is composed purely of vegetable oil, mixed with ground cork, and rolled on a strong backing of Waterproof Canvass. It is thoroughly DAMP-PROOF, inodorous, of great durability and perfect elasticity; it is entirely